New England Economy - Union Membership

Union Membership (1) of employed wage and salary workers in New England, annual averages, 2000 and 2005 (Numbers in thousands)

	2000		2005		2000 to 2005 Membership	
State	Total members	Percent of employed	Total members	Percent of employed	Net Change	Percent Change
United States	16,258	13.5	15,685	12.5	-573	-3.5%
Connecticut	246	16.3	247	15.9	1	0.4%
Maine	78	14.0	69	11.9	-9	-11.5%
Massachusetts	406	14.3	402	13.9	-4	-1.0%
New Hampshire	60	10.4	65	10.4	5	8.3%
Rhode Island	80	18.2	79	15.9	-1	-1.3%
Vermont	28	10.3	31	10.8	3	10.7%

(1) Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

Union Representation (2) of employed wage and salary workers in New England, annual averages, 2000 and 2005 (Numbers in thousands)

	2000		2005		2000 to 2005 Represented	
State	Total Represented	Percent of employed	Total Represented	Percent of employed	Net Change	Percent Change
United States	17,944	14.9	17,223	13.7	-721	-4.0%
Connecticut	262	17.4	263	17.0	1	0.4%
Maine	92	16.6	79	13.6	-13	-14.1%
Massachusetts	445	15.7	431	14.9	-14	-3.1%
New Hampshire	67	11.6	72	11.5	5	7.5%
Rhode Island	83	18.8	83	16.8	0	0.0%
Vermont	34	12.4	37	13.0	3	8.8%

⁽¹⁾ Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union.

NOTES: Data refer to the sole or principal job of full- and part-time workers. All self-employed workers are excluded, regardless of whether their businesses are incorporated. Data are based on one-fourth of the full sample (the outgoing rotation groups). As a result, employment levels may not match the official annual average employment figures issued by the Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program.

⁽²⁾ Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union, as well as workers who are not members but whose jobs are covered by a union or employee association contract.

⁽²⁾ Data refer to members of a labor union or an employee association similar to a union, as well as workers who are not members but whose jobs are covered by a union or employee association contract.